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Chancellor announces Bill Ashley to be named president of Shelton State Community College

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Dr. William J. "Bill" Ashley has been named president of Shelton State Community College in Tuscaloosa.

Jimmy H. Baker, chancellor of the Alabama Community College System, announced the appointment by the Board of Trustees at their meeting held today in Montgomery.

Ashley has worked almost two decades in Mississippi's community college system, serving most recently as vice president for student affairs at Southwest Mississippi Community College in Summit, Miss. His prior roles range from student instruction to athletics to academic leadership.

"Dr. Ashley's community college system experience is impressive in terms of years and breadth," Baker said. "He will be a tremendous asset at Shelton State, and we look forward to working with him as he takes the campus to the next level."

A Mississippi native, Ashley earned a Ph.D. in community college leadership from Mississippi State University. He also has an MBA from Delta State University and other educational credentials in finance and accounting.

"I am deeply committed to the mission of community colleges, which is to provide accessible education and opportunities to people throughout their lifetimes," Ashley said. "I'm especially eager to be a part of the exciting things happening today in Alabama's community college system."

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